




THE ADVENT UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

West of Jamestown, organized in 1848 this church celebrated its 130th anniversary Sunday, Sept. 29, 1968. It is assumed that it was in the 1850's that a group of German emigrants first settled on the Moniteau, cleared the land and by 1848 had their homes established. It was not until 1859 that a church was built. It was a log structure 22X30 feet, completed and dedicated on Nov. 28th. After 25 years the congregation outgrew the old log church. On August 22, 1886, the new church was dedicated and the old log building was used for a parochial school. A period of prosperity arrived so the congregation decided to build a new church. The cornerstone was laid Nov. 9, 1924 and it was completed in 1925. It was especially noted for its beautiful stained glass windows. One of the center windows which originally cost 150 dollars was appraised last year (1967) at \$2200.00. An old custom came to end in the 1930's. Men and women quit sitting on opposite sides of the church during worship.



EVANGELICAL
ADVENT CHURCH

The Fredrick Affolder House is believed to be one of the oldest if not the oldest in California. It was built shortly after the Civil War by Fredrick Affolder grandfather of Willford Affolder. It remained in the family until three years ago (). Fredrick Affolder came to America from Switzerland and first settled in Ohio. In passing thru California while in the army during the Civil War he liked the country so well that he came here to settle and built this house. He was a shoe cobbler and used the room on the left side to make and repair shoes. It is said he corresponded with many of his relatives and friends in the "old country" who wanted to come to America and when he found a farm for them they would come to California where he would take them into this home and care for them until they got settled in their new home.







ABNER BRIZENDINE HOUSE

"Nobody knows how old"

This house located 4 miles north of Jamestown 1 mile east of the intersection of highway 87 and 179 is occupied by Arthur Aegerter. It was occupied before by the families of Lou Young, Robert Marshall, Price Fain and Fritz Wyss who was living there at the turn of the century. The Abner Brizendine family was living there when the 1876 Moniteau Co. Atlas was published and he probably built the house. The log construction shown under the porch is in excellent condition.









The T. J. Buchanan house, California, Mo. is a fine brick home (now the American Legion Home) built by one of California's early day prosperous druggists. Two of his granddaughters, Mrs. Erma Snorgrass and Mrs. Florence Kiely still live in California.






The Dr. J. P. Burke home located in California was built as the Central Hotel soon after the Missouri Pacific Railroad was built through here in 1858. Dr. Burke practiced medicine in California for almost 50 years and his daughter Genevieve lived in the house until her death in 1968.







CARTER DON CARLOS HOUSE

The above house certainly one of the oldest in Moniteau County is located 3 miles east of Prairie Home, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south of highway 87. Carter Don Carlos was born 1803 in East Tennessee and reared there by an uncle. He was a direct descendant of ^(see also legend) Queen Elizabeth wife of King Phillip V of Spain. He was first married in Kentucky and settled near Rocheport in Boone Co., Mo. in 1825. He was told there to go about 12 miles south where he would find "as fine a country as ever a crow flew over." He settled there, entered land from the Government, started building this house in 1828 and finished it in 1833. He was married 3 times and 19 children were born at this homestead. His second and third wives were Fannie and Lavina Hudson sisters of Hilliard Hudson. It is said that when one of his sons by his first wife married a younger Hudson, sister of his 2nd and 3rd. wives he was so perturbed he would not attend the wedding, the assumption being that he might need her for his 4th. wife. Many descendants of this family are still living in Cooper County.





THE SAMUEL M. CHRISTIAN HOUSE

This house located one mile east of California, Mo. just north of highway 50 and facing the Missouri Pacific tracks on the south was built before the Civil War and occupied during that period by Samuel M. Christian. In 1902 it was purchased by Joe Miller father of Mrs. Floyd Oesterly. The house and farm of 130 acres was later purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Cesterly, who kept it until 1946. Col. and Mrs. Carl E. Moffitt now live there having purchased it in 1967 from Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Maier who had purchased it in 1961 from V. S. Laughlin. According to an account given to Mrs. Oesterly by Mr. Frank Eberhardt a room in the house was used as a secret meeting place for northern army officers and a confederate spy was found hiding in the house and shot. The damaged place in the wall made by the shot was easily visible until extensive remodeling was done in 1912.



CLAY BROTHERS HOME NEAR LUPUS

(Ewing and Dorsey Clay)

This house built in 1893 by John M. Clay father of the Clay brothers and grandson of Jeremiah Clay who is said to have led the Kentucky colony, the first white settlers in Moniteau county in 1816. A part of this farm has been in continuous possession of the family since 1816. Jeremiah Clay was a relative of Henry Clay. Jeremiah Clay was born in 1765, enlisted in the American army near the close of the Revolutionary war. The Clay home is built on a large Indian mound. John Clay a descendant now attending the University of Missouri (1969) is the 6th generation of Clays still living in the Lupus neighborhood.





The John Dearing house located 3 miles southeast of Jamestown. The original portion of this house on the left is of log construction, covered many years ago with weatherboarding. It is thought to have been built by John Dearing before the Civil War on land he homesteaded for 25¢ an acre. The house has been vacant 10 years and is owned by Revie Dearing a grandson of John.









THE EITZEN MANSION, CALIFORNIA, MISSOURI

This fine old home was built in 1898 by Charles A. Eitzen at a cost of \$30,000.00. Oliver Sprouse was the architect. Blazer Bros. were the stone masons and the Innans the brick layers. It had 5 rooms on the first floor, 5 on the second and 4 rooms on the third. Nine fireplaces are in the house. It is now used as a nursing home and some of the large closets and pantrys are now used as extra rooms making a total of 19 rooms. It still has the original slate roof. The outside walls are 22 inches thick and the inside ones are 14 inches. An iron fence set in concrete and stone surrounds the grounds which cover an entire block. A "widows walk" can be seen on the top. Walter Eitzen, a son, lived in the house until 1952 when he moved to a new home on Rice Blvd. A carriage house and stable with a room above for a coachman is standing adjacent to the house on the west side. When built it was strictly modern with steam heat and private water works. Charles A. Eitzen was a son of Charles D. Eitzen who at his death left \$50,000.00 to the city of Herman, Mo.



THE GENTSON HOUSE

Sandy Hook

A beautiful old home over-looking the Missouri River





This statue was placed on the grounds of the Institute by the school of 1892 and dedicated by Mr. W. H. Jobe and J. E. Lander the donors of free scholarships known as the Jobe and Lander Scholarship. It is now in the front yard of the home of Mrs. Troy Kaiser a granddaughter of Prof. Hooper, in Wooldridge, Mo.



No history of Moniteau county and particularly of Clarksburg would be complete without the story of Professor W. M. Hooper and the school he founded in 1875. Prof. Hooper was a soldier in the Civil War, came to Missouri from Maryland and the institute of higher learning flourished until after his death in 1894. Many of Moniteau county's most prominent citizens attended. There is nothing left in Clarksburg where the Institute was located.





HOLPER

This round barn while not old is quite unique. It was built by R. L. Baldiman in 1914 on his farm located on the road between Sandy Hook and the old Bacon store.





CLARK HALL HOUSE

The above house located in Jamestown was built by Clark Hall and occupied by him and his family during the Civil War. Clark Hall came with his parents Wm. and Rhoda Redford hall from Stokes county North Carolina in 1828 and settled on a farm 2 miles west of Jamestown. The father Wm. Hall died on a horseback trip back to North Carolina in 1845 leaving a widow with 13 children. All of the children of which Clark was the oldest born in 1818 married and reared families. Mr. Hall built the first mill in Jamestown in 1862. He was married three times and died in 1899. The house is now used as the parsonage of the Jamestown Baptist Church.



The Hickam Cemetery on a plateau 1 mile south of and overlooking the little town of Lupus. It surrounds an Indian Mound and Many of Moniteau Countys earliest settlers are buried here. Notice the coffin shaped stone marker in one picture.







CLAY



This stone house located 3 or 4 miles due north of High Point on the west side of Burris Fork creek was built some time before the Civil War. Soldiers came to the house on one occasion and among other things took one of Mrs. Hills quilts to use for a horse blanket. She persuaded them to take a blanket instead of the quilt. They threw the quilt in the mud, the horses walked over it and she had to re-make the quilt. This quilt now in good condition was given to the Moniteau County Historical Society and is in the Museum case in the County Court House.





This fine home located on east Smith St. in California was built in 1886 by Dr. Houser one of 13 children who came to Monticello County with his parents from Lancaster, Pennsylvania in 1865 when he was eleven years old. He married Lena Heyssel Ehrhardt in 1880, was a doctor and operated a drug store in California for many years.



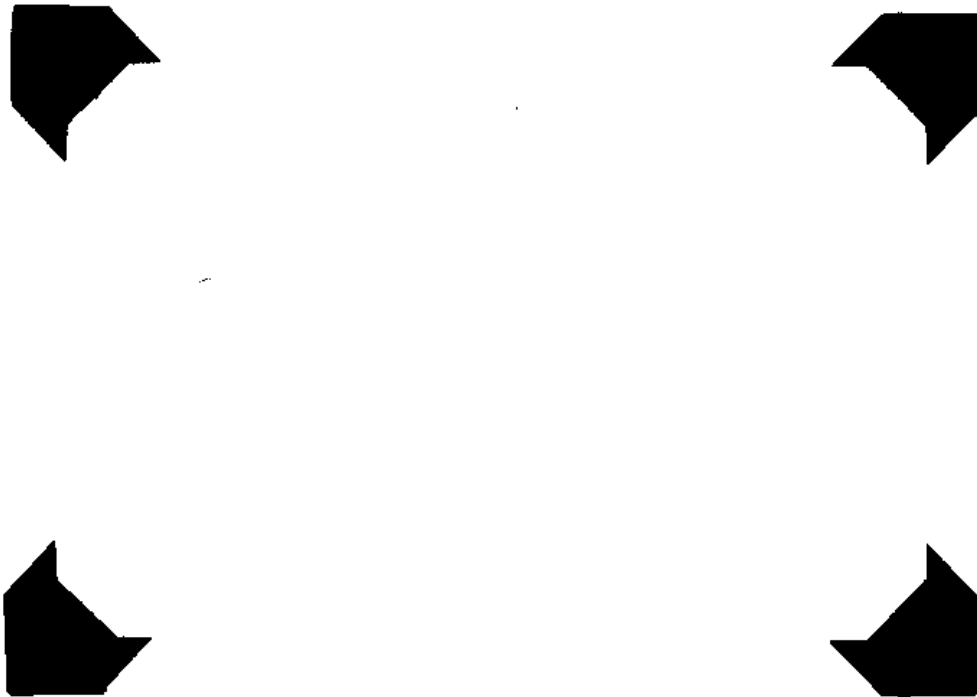




HILLIARD H. HUDSON HOUSE

This house located 4 miles north of Jamestown just east of highway 87 was moved into by Hilliard Hudson, his wife Eliza Boggs Hudson and their young son Andrew Jackson in 1845 the same year Moniteau County was organized. Before the civil war Hilliard Hudson was elected county judge of Moniteau County. In 1874 he was elected to represent Moniteau County in the St. Louis Legislature. Hilliard was born in Simpson county, Kentucky. He was married to Eliza Boggs who was born in Madison Co. Kentucky. Perry W. Wilson, California, Mo. is a grandson of Hilliard & Eliza B. Hudson. The one story section shown on the left side of the picture is log and was all that was there when they moved in. The two story part was added later when their family increased. (12 children). Mr. Hudson arrived in Boone county with his parents from Simpson Co., Kentucky in 1825 and settled near Rocheport. Mrs. Hudson came with her parents from Madison County, Ky, in 1829. The farm remained in the family until the 1950's when it was sold by Mrs. Fannie Bruce to Ralph Muri who now own it. The house has been vacant for several years.





Jasper Hunter's home at Rock Enon. This fine old stone house has been well preserved. A stone in the gable shows it was built in 1872 by J. N. Bruce. Surrounding it is a smoke house, spring house, granary, barn and the Rock Enon Baptist church all built of stone said to have come from a quarry near by. Rock Enon Baptist church was organized in 1834. The building now there was erected in 1871. The name is taken from the Bible John 3-23 "and John was also baptising in Enon near Salem because there was much water there."

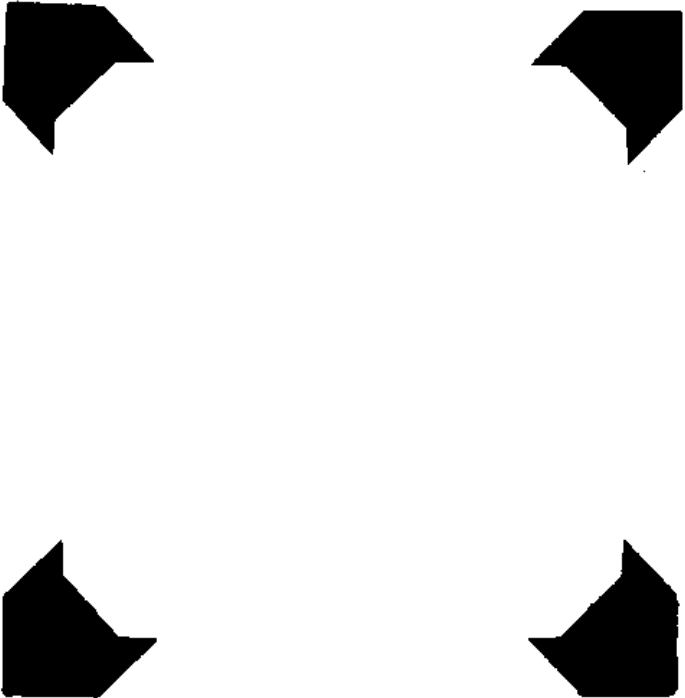


John B. Wolfe who first established a store at Wolfe's Point (later named Lupus) helped organize the Jamestown Mercantile Co. in 1881 and became its first President. Jacob Weisser became President in 1885 and held that position for more than 50 years. Mrs. Will Geiger widow of one of the later owners owns and operates the store now. (1969).



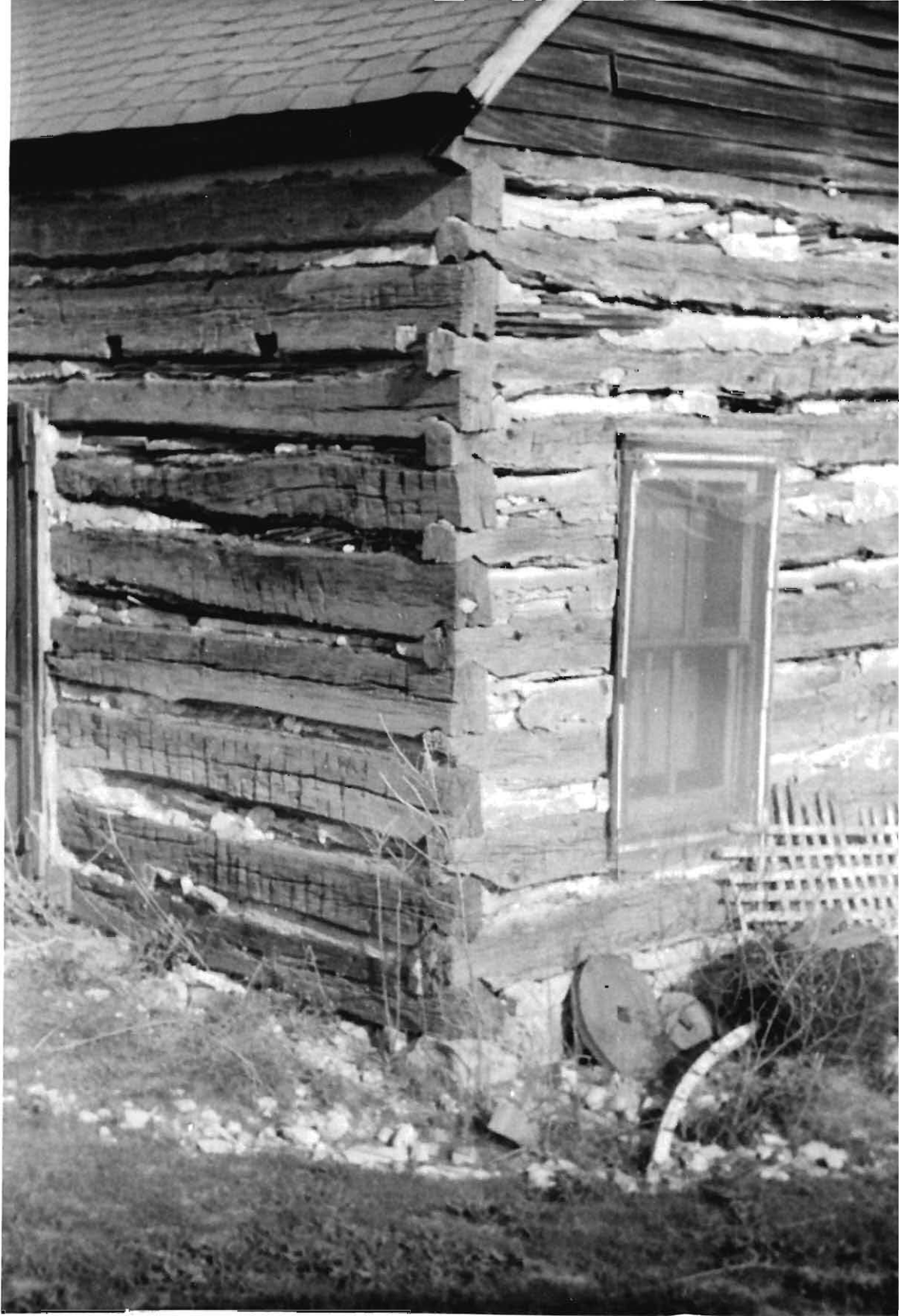


JAMESTOWN -
MERCANTILE
CO.



This log cabin on highway 87 in the west edge of Kliever was built by Frank Kaiser more than 100 years ago at a site 2 or 3 miles west of its present location. It was moved to its present site in 1901 by John Howe's parents Mr. and Mrs. James Howe. John Howe says his mother agreed to move to Kliever with the understanding that her house be moved and she lived there until her death in 1946 at the age of 93. It is in fairly good condition and Mr. Howe is considering working on it some to improve the appearance.









KLIEVER COUNTRY STORE

According to Edgar Williams this store was opened in 1892 and the owners have been as follows:

Anderson Hodge	J. E. Williams & Milburn
W. R. Hodge	J. E. Williams
Johnson & Meyer	Finch - Cedar Co.
Charley Gentsch	J. E. Williams
Hodge & A. E. Williams & Hodge	T. L. Scott
Hodge & Hodge	Herman Crum
	Edgar Crum

Maude Crum shown in the picture and her husband Edgar bought the store in 1917 and she has been there for 52 years.





The McGirke Izaiah T. and John W. entered land around McGirk in the 1820's
Just which one built this house and when is not known, but it is known
to have been there before the Civil War. Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Sappington
now own the place.

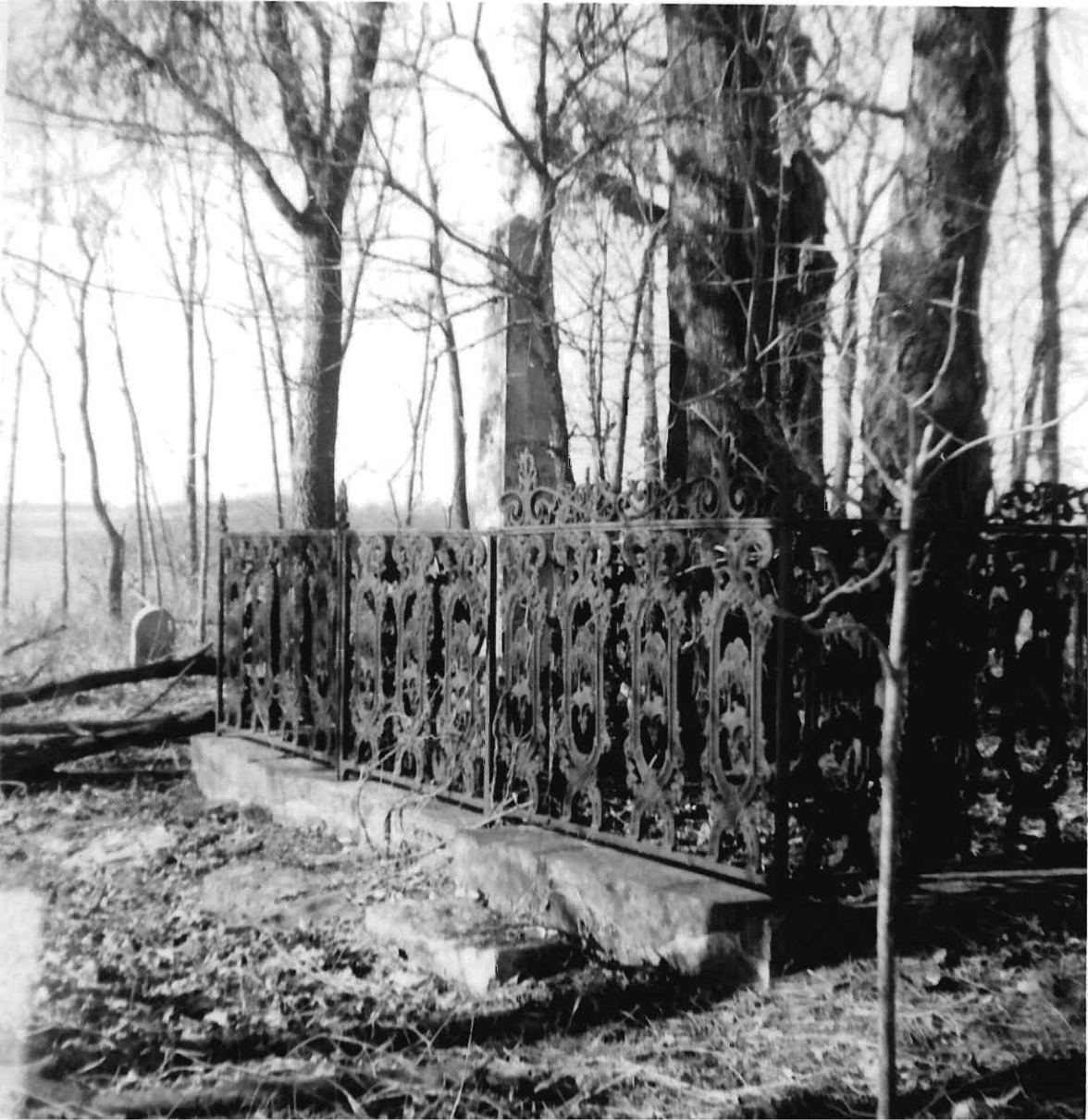


Located about 2 miles north of Sandy Hook and about 300 yards east of a gravel road leading toward Lupus. The cemetery has some very old graves (probably the oldest in Moniteau Co.) of the Martin family who were some of the very earliest settlers around Sandy Hook. Of special interest are 2 graves enclosed by a beautiful wrought Iron fence with the iron chain and padlock still holding the gate closed. The tall stone shown in the picture is a 6 ft. tall stone and

has this inscription, "S. Alice, wife of R. S. Martin died May 14, 1866, 23 years, 4 mos. 23 days" She lives in every thought, in every dream she smiles again and speaks a blessing to the heart". Just who her husband R. S. Martin was and where he is buried I guess no one knows.

Other inscriptions: James Miller, died April 10, 1816 in the 61st. year of his age Lucinda, wife of James Miller (mother?) of children died April 15, 1819

aged 31 years. 25 days. Susan Miller -- died Sept 11, 1842 in the 47 (?) year of her age. R. L. Shipley -- born Nov. 9, 1829 died Nov. 21, 1858. This is a very old and a very interesting cemetery.





One of the oldest houses in Moniteau County located 3 miles northwest of Jamestown and slightly north of east of Roy Schoenthal home. The house of brick (bricks made by slaves) construction is in excellent condition although it has been vacant many years. It is shown on the Moniteau County Centennial plate issued in 1966. J. Frank Moore was born in Kentucky July 16, 1817, came with his father to Mo. 1818 or 19 died Sept 15, 1891 at his home within a mile of where his father first located. He made many of the wagons used by caravans in making the trip to California during the gold rush. His father was James Moore who died about 1870. (Fords History). According to Waldo P. Johnson there were five early brick houses in Linn township, Moniteau Co. The third of the five houses was built by Frank Moore four miles north of Jamestown

(Fords History p. 17)







NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL HOUSE

The first school established in what is now Moniteau County was the North Carolina School about 3 miles west of Jamestown on what is now route U. It was a subscription school built in 1826 at a cost of \$15.00 with tuition \$2.00 per pupil for a five month term. The school house pictured above was built of logs in 1850 and was used for a church and school until 1868 when the German Methodist church sold the building to the school board and moved to Jamestown. The first building was by a spring onehalf mile east of the present site. It remained a subscription school until Moniteau County was organized in 1845 when it became school district No.1 and it remained No.1 until 1810 when the districts were numbered geographically and it became No.12. It no doubt was given the name by local residents many of whom had migrated from North Carolina. The South Carolina school was organized some time later and was located about 1 mile south but this building has long since disappeared. The building shown above is log but has been weatherboarded and plastered and is used for a residence. Henry Small owns the house and one acre of ground and is living there now. (1969). As far as can be developed only three people living in the community now were pupils there before 1900. Emma Vivian, California, Mo., Raud Crum of Kliever, Mo. and Walker Johnson of California, Mo.



The George Ratcliff House is located a short distance east and north of High Point on what is said to be the highest point in Moniteau County. It is built of stone thought to have been hauled from the quarry near the old Rock Enon Baptist Church. The walls are 22 inches thick. There is a cemetery a short distance north west of the house. George Simpson 95 (1968) years old now living in High Point believes it was built about the time of or before the Civil War. The house has been vacant for many years and is now owned by









THE RICE HOUSE

This 9 room stately mansion was built about 1867 by Niles Rice former mayor of California and President of the Montevideo National Bank. It was purchased 2 years ago and refurbished by the George Grazier family. The house has 12 ft. ceilings, 6 ft. halls and 36 narrow 7 ft. windows.



OLD SIEGENTHALER HOME * EAST OF CLARKSBURG

This old house is pictured in Fords History of Moniteau County as a double log house. I haven't been able to develop the history of this log house.







High on a wooded hill overlooking the Moreau River in Moniteau County on Highway 50 lies a tract of land (201 acres) which has been in the same family for six generations, or since the original land patent to Thomas Jefferson Williams in the 1820's. The above documents in the Abstract of Title now in the possession of Mrs. Oscar Raithel (nee Myrtle C. Williams) the present owner and occupant. Mrs Raithel has in her possession a combination ledger and diary which her grandfather kept daily. The first entry was made in the year 1870, 100 years ago. This document opens the door to the past. Bricks were made on this farm and (from diary) sold J. A. Lander 2000 brick at \$6.00 per one thousand. May 4, 1874. Contracted with General Shelby to build three box houses sixteen feet square. Williams & Co. to furnish all the material for which they were to receive three hundred dollars. Gen. Jo Shelby, confederate cavalryman is mentioned often in the diary and occupied for a time with his wife and two boys two upstairs rooms of this brick house in which Mrs. Raithel now lives. This old house was built in 1850 with three courses of brick made on the farm and walls are 13 inches thick. The original roof was of handmade shakes. Mortise and pin construction was used in the oak beams.



An old brick home in California, Mo. next door to the Rice home and very much alike except this one is brick and the Rice home is frame. Haven't developed the history of this house.



